

**REMARKS**

In the Restriction Requirement dated July 27, 2005, the Examiner requests that Applicant elect one of the following groups for prosecution on the merits:

Group I - Claims 1-16, drawn to a semiconductor device; and

Group II - Claims 17-25, drawn to a process.

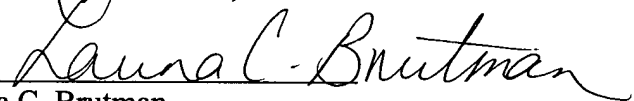
Applicant hereby elects Group I (claims 1-16).

An action on the merits of all the elected claims and a Notice of Allowance thereof are respectfully requested.

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Respectfully submitted,

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